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INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

INTELLIGENCE ON ANTI-COMMUNIST RESISTANCE AND

RESISTANCE POTENTIAL

Problem:

1. To define the needs, capabilities and interagency arrangements for production of finished intelligence on the anti-Communist resistance and resistance potential of the Soviet Orbit.

Discussion:

2. Attached (Tab B) is a letter from G-2 to the Chairman of the IAC outlining the importance of this subject and the need for detailed intelligence on it as a basis for Army planning. Recognizing the desirability of utilizing the full resources of the IAC to meet this need adequately, G-2's letter recommends the establishment of an IAC ad hoc group to survey anti-Communist movements and resistance potential in the Soviet bloc and to prepare studies on current resistance trends during the first quarter of 1954.

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fact, to meet its own needs (as well as for possible use by other agencies) the FI staff produced, on an all-source basis, a study, "Survey of Resistance Activity in the East European Satellites" (1 October 1951 to 1 March 1953) which was disseminated on an informal basis to the military services and the State Depart-A supplement to this survey has also been disseminated.

4. Discussions with intelligence representatives of State, Army, Navy, Air Force, JIG and CIA have developed that all agencies have a pressing need for intelligence in this field to

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meet continuing demands for planning and operations. All agencies have modest production capabilities except JIG, which has none. All recognize that definite improvement would be possible through collaborative efforts in production. Insofar as national intelligence estimates are required, there already exists a procedure whereby any IAC agency may request the preparation of such estimates to meet their needs. It is believed that concerted guidance to collectors from overt sources (particularly levying of requirements on the peripheral 25X1C reporting activities) would obtain considerable additional information. The Interagency Priorities Committee should be used for levying requirements on CIA's collection from covert sources.

Recommendations:

- 5. That the IAC establish an ad hoc subcommittee entitled Resistance Intelligence Committee (RIC), with CIA as chairman and representation from all IAC agencies. It should coordinate the preparation, within the agencies' capabilities, of all-source intelligence studies and projections regarding trends, situations, and specialized phases of anti-Communist resistance and resistance potential in the Soviet Orbit (including Communist China) required by the participating agencies. The Committee will define the information requirements for this research and levy them as appropriate on the collectors. Upon the conclusion of a draft study or projection on any area, it will be reviewed by the Committee prior to dissemination to all the agencies for concurrence or comment before publication. Sanitized versions of all-source studies will also be issued.
- 6. That the Committee submit a report to the IAC within six months with recommendation for its discontinuance or continuance as a permanent committee.
- 7. That the Board of National Estimates take into consideration the relative priority of this subject in connection with the Board's review of the national intelligence objectives.

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